
From: Belizaire, Justine [USA]
To: Simon Zweighaft
CC: Hamayasu, Toru; Kurio, Phyllis
Sent: 1/13/2009 12:26:54 PM
Subject: RE: Status Update

Good Morning Simon,

Happy New Year!

The status update from last month was extremely helpful. Thank-you. We would like to provide a monthly update to the Region each month around the 15th. Please advise if there have been any changes in the status provided below. I am aware that with the holidays, there may not be much change however if there is no change, please state so.

With regard to the potential change in LPA from Salt Lake to the Airport alignment, I have a few questions for you.

- Should the City vote to revise the LPA to the airport alignment on January 28, will the City wait until after the DEIS public hearing to make the final decision or, will the change in LPA be immediate?
- Are there any other processes that need to be completed after the vote in order for the change in LPA to take effect? Does the City need approval from the Mayor?
- If the LPA is revised to the Airport, will the City still plan on releasing the solicitation for requesting qualifications in February 2009?

If you have any questions, please call me at 786-586-0026

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Subject: RE: Status Update

Hi Justine:

You asked for a quick update on the status of the project, particularly with regard to procurement activities.

We are moving ahead on the RFP for the DB Guideway Contract and Part 1 is being finalized for release. We are now awaiting a City Council action regarding the need for their approval of the specifications prior to release. There is a pending bill before the City Council that eliminates this requirement. We expect action on this matter at their next meeting in late January and we will release the RFP Part 1 shortly thereafter.

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We do not expect to request a LONP for this action. According to the latest FTA "Interim Guidance on Design-Build Project Delivery and the FFGA Process", we are allowed to begin the solicitation process of requesting qualifications. This will be done in RFP Part 1. Our RFP Part 2, expected to be released in April or May, will require us to request a waiver of the timing restrictions in the Interim Guidance. The Interim Guidance states that a grantee may release a request for DB proposals after a ROD is issued. We don't expect to have our ROD until fall of this year, so we will be asking FTA to waive this requirement that a DB RFP may be released after the ROD. That would allow us to continue the procurement process. We would not issue a notice-to-proceed to a design-builder until after the ROD has been received.

We do expect to request an LONP to incur costs under the DB Guideway contract after a ROD is issued and we have an agreement with our selected DB Contractor. It is our plan to be ready for this process by the end of 2009.

We are also moving ahead with design-build procurements for the Maintenance and Storage Facility (MSF) and for the Vehicle and Systems contract. These will be done sequentially with each process on about a 3 month lag following the Guideway procurement. That is, assuming we release Guideway Part 1 in February, the MSF Part 1 would be released in about May and the Vehicles and Systems Part 1 would be released in about August.

With regard to the other activities we are undertaking:

- The DEIS Public Hearings have been held. FTA has extended the public comment period by 30 days. The public comment period will end on February 6. We will do our best to make up the lost time, because we still would like to obtain our ROD in August or September at the latest.
- We are moving forward on lots of other preparatory activities such as developing master agreements with the utilities, working on obtaining such permits as we can put into process at this time, interviewing applicants to expand our staff, refining station designs and continuing our meetings with stakeholders.
- We seem to be at a standstill insofar as FTA reviews are concerned. We've seen nothing on the risk assessment process which was begun in August. A planned quarterly review meeting for December was cancelled and we've heard nothing about any dates for rescheduling that meeting.
- Action is expected on City Council Bill 64 (potential shift of the LPA to the Airport alignment) on January 28. There will be a Council committee meeting in early January which will give us some indications of where this issue is headed. At the moment we are progressing on the Salt Lake Alignment and will continue to do so until and unless the Council makes a determination to change it.

Is this report satisfactory for your current needs?

Regards,

Simon

From: Belizaire, Justine [USA] [mailto:Belizaire_Justine@bah.com]
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Good Morning Simon,

The Region has requested a brief update of the project to date. More specifically, please include a status of the procurements for the DB Guideway Contract between the Pearl Highlands and

West Oahu stations, the Maintenance and Storage Facility, Vehicles and Systems as well as the LONP request to FTA.

Please provide a quick update of the activities in progress.

Thanks,

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